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Weekly Summary for March 18-24

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The state continued to warm and receive rainfall with the highest precipitation totals recorded in the West Central district at 1.27 inches. Overall, the precipitation for the week was 1 percent below normal. According to OCS Mesonet, drought conditions were rated 1 percent abnormally dry to exceptional, down 5 points from the previous week. Statewide, temperatures averaged in the mid 50's, with the lowest recording of 23 degrees at Kenton on March 21st. The highest temperature was 81 degrees recorded at Tipton on March 23rd. Topsoil and subsoil moisture conditions were rated mostly adequate to surplus. There were 5.1 days suitable for fieldwork.

Small Grains: Winter wheat jointing reached 28 percent, down 6 points from the previous year and down 10 points from normal. Canola blooming reached 10 percent, unchanged from the previous year but down 1 point from normal. Rye jointing reached 26 percent, down 2 points from the previous year and down 1 point from normal. Oats jointing reached 13 percent, up 2 points from the previous year and up 3 points from normal.

Pasture and Livestock: Pasture and range condition was rated at 77 percent good to fair. Livestock condition was rated at 87 percent good to fair.

Soil Moisture Conditions by Percent For Week Ending March 24, 2019

Moisture Rating	Current Week	Previous Week	One Year Ago	
Topsoil				
Very Short	16	12	51	
Short	20	20	24	
Adequate	45	40	25	
Surplus	19	28	0	
Subsoil				
Very Short	14	8	45	
Short	24	25	29	
Adequate	41	40	25	
Surplus	21	27	1	

Crop Conditions by Percent For Week Ending March 24, 2019

Commodity	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat	0	2	24	65	9
Rye	0	3	59	33	5
Oats	0	7	25	63	5
Canola	1	6	37	52	4
Livestock	1	5	27	60	7
Pasture and Range	4	14	32	45	5

Crop Progress by Percent For Week Ending March 24, 2019

Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	One Year Ago	Five Year Average
Wheat	Jointing	28	20	34	38
Canola	Blooming	10	5	10	11
Rye	Jointing	26	10	28	27
Oats	Jointing	13	5	11	10

Weather for Week Ending: Temperatures ranged from 23 degrees at Kenton on Thursday, March 21st to 81 degrees at Tipton on Saturday, March 23rd. Precipitation ranged from 0.22 of an inch in the South Central to 1.27 inches in the West Central district. Soil temperature averages ranged from 44 degrees at Boise City on Saturday, March 23rd to 64 degrees at Ardmore on Sunday, March 24th.

Mesonet Temperature and Precipitation Data For Week Ending March 24, 2019

	Temperature			Precipitation			
Districts	High Low			Current	March 1, 2019 to March 24, 2019		
		Average	Week	Total	Departure from Normal	Percent of Normal	
		degrees		inches	inches	inches	percent
Panhandle	64	34	48	0.99	1.94	0.85	178
North Central	67	39	52	0.60	2.24	0.27	114
Northeast	65	41	53	0.76	2.14	-0.57	79
West Central	68	41	54	1.27	2.69	0.95	154
Central	68	41	55	0.50	2.18	-0.20	92
East Central	67	42	54	0.80	2.35	-0.65	78
Southwest	70	42	56	0.25	1.95	0.15	108
South Central	71	44	58	0.22	2.38	-0.26	90
Southeast	70	40	55	0.45	2.95	-0.48	86

